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CONGRESS' LABOR, STARTING IN 1913,

Work of Final Session Ends at Noon Today by Constitutional Limitation.

TWO APPROPRIATION **BILLS FAIL TO PASS**

Indian and Post Office Measures for the Current Year Are Continued.

EXPENDITURES, \$1,120,000,000.

Much Hard-Pressed Administration Legislation Falls by Wayside, Including Ship Pur-

chase Measure.

At noon today the Sixty-third Congress expired by constitutional limitation.

Since April 7, 1913, when President Wilson assembled the Congress in extraordinary session, it has been continuously at work except for a recess of five weeks, the first and second sessions having merged without intermission.

For the first time since 1879. executive appropriation bill failed, it became necessary today to provide for a part of the government expenses by resolution continuing the appropriations of the current.

Year, the Indian bill and the post year, the Indian bill and the post office bill failing of passage.

Effort to Save Bill.

At the eleventh hour a desperate effort was made to save the Indian appropria- the evidence of this case. tion bill. Earlier in the day it had been given up for lost and a resolution adopted gations of continuing the current appropriation.

Appropriation Over Billion.

The appropriations of the Congress are estimated at approximately \$1,-120,000,000. This is not the first "billion-dollar Congress," does the sum represent the high-water certain rules which, in many instances, mark in appropriations.

Vice President Ends Session of Senate

"May God guard the republic and keep it long to the glory of humanity," said Vice President Marshall as he brought

that which we know and that which we believe. I hold it to be eternally fit for any man to believe anything that is not wrong, that contributes to his peace of mind and to the happiness of his fellow man. I realize that the resolution which has just been passed its a formal resolution always passed in the S-mate, and yet, because I know it will contribute to my own peace of nurd and happiness. I propose to be the second to the foot frontage because and yet, because I know it will contribute to my own peace of nurd and happiness. I propose to be the second time the following rule:

"Sec. 6. Beginning November I, 1914, no barroom license shall be granted on any side of a street where less than 50 per cent of the foot frontage between intersecting streets, excluding the part of buildings wherein barroom goods as Great Britain desires and is purposes; Provided, That this this restriction shall not apply to hotels and lubs.

The following rule:

"Sec. 6. Beginning November I, 1914, no entersity goods found in neutral snips.

German Goods for England.

Exportation from Germany of such goods as Great Britain desires and is able to obtain from that country will be permitted by the British government, notwithstanding the declaration of Premier Asquith that Great Britain the S-mate, and yet, because I know it will contribute to my own peace of mind and happiness. I propose to believe that it counts from the heart of the semators of the United States.

Rejoices at Parole.

scienter's farewell to his brother lawmedien.
Introduced a resolution for the appointment of a committee of three sen(Continued on Second Page.)

This rule permits minors to enter stress provision and real intent of the lawand real intent of the law"A. The law provides:
"N) licensee under this section shall
(Continued on Second Page.)

SAYS EXCISE BOARD | WORRY IN ENGLAND

tee Finds No Evidence of Corruption.

Policy of Body Fosters Liquor Traffic in Violation of Statute,

Is Report.

Severely scoring the District excise board for "approving and encouraging plain evasion and perversion of the law," the Senate special committee appointed to investigate the board sub- BLOCKADE NOT YET ORDERED mitted its report to the Senate today. The committee states that it has found no evidence of corruption on the Order in Council Putting It Into part of any member of the board. Sum-

ming up, the report says:

"The committee finds no evidence of corruption or venality on the part of any member of the board, and believes that each member should be exonerated from any charge or imputation of this character. The committee believes, however, that a careful and dispassionate review of the evidence before it as to the conduct of the board in the administration of the excise law will show that it has disregarded the underlying purpose of the law, that it has nullified its most beneficial features and that it has encouraged and approved plain evasiveness and perversion of the law.

Every Act Favors Saloons.

that the board has resolved practically every doubt as to law or fact in the interest of the saloons. It has shown no proper comprehension of its duties in the execution of a law framed in when the legislative, judicial and the interests of morality and good gov-

Transcript of Case.

committee is as follows: "We have examined many witnesses and submit herewith a transcript of

"I. We find that the present excise Senator Ashurst at 11:26 brought in an amended conference report to meet the objections which had previously hampered the bill. The changes were acceptable to the former opponents of the bill and the tonference report was adopted.

But when the report was rushed over to the House the change failed to satisfy the opposition in that body and the conference report was withdrawn, such sealing the doom of the appropriation bill.

The find that the present excise board was appointed to administer what is commonly known as the Jones-works excise liquor law of the District of Columbia, which became effective July 1, 1913, and said board was originally composed of Joseph C. Shechy, chairman; Robert G. Smith and Henry S. Baker. Mr. Sheeby resigned from the board early in 1914, and was succeeded as chairman by 4r. Robert G. Smith, who still remains chairman. Cotter T. Eride was appointed to the variance thus eccasioned, and is now a the board early in 1915, and was succeeded as chairman by Ar. Robert G. Smith, who still remains chairman. Cotter T. Eride was appointed to the vacancy thus occasioned, and is now a member of the board.

administering the excise law has adopted

"The rule adopted by the board in the administration of this clause of the law

Illegal Licenses Issued.

to a close the session of the Senate at change of the law by the board, sev-noon today. The windup of the session eral hotels with less than fifty bedmoon today. The windup of the session in the Senate chamber was more dramatic than has been the case on many similar occasions in the past. The adjournment came, at the end of almost two days of centinous meeting in a streamons effect to dispose of the suppropriations. The galleries of the Senate were crowded to their utmost capte were crowded to their utmost capte manner in which he had presided for any saloon or barroom on any side of any square, block or tract of land where less than 50 per centum of the foot frontage, not including saloons or hotels and clubs having barroom licenses under this section, is used for business purposes.

"Benators, all of us realize that there is a vast deal of difference between the known and that which in the last of the law which he had presided to find the said.

"Sec. 6. Beginning November 1, 1914, no barroom license shall be granted for nearly spoods to und in neutral snips."

"I will take it with me in that parole vision the board has licensed a num- blockade policy which was delivered in which is about to be granted me from ber of hotels and clubs on sides of the house of commons by Walter Run

DISREGARDED LAW OVER U. S. OPINION OF BLOCKADE PLAN

Asquith's Program Being Criticised on Score That It Is Indefinite.

BRITISH MILLS MAY GET **GERMANY'S ANILINE DYES**

Board of Trade President Refuses to Promise a Supply for America.

Effect Expected to Be Published in a Few

MR. ASQUITH REFUSES TO THROW NEW LIGHT

ON BLOCKADE PLANS LONDON, March 4, 3:45 p.m .-Premier Asquith declined today to throw further light on the adopted by Great Britain and her allies in -- rsuance of their announced intention of cutting off trade to and from Germany.

mons, the premier said: "The intention of the government will be apparent when the orders in suncil on the subject are published."

Speaking in the house of com-

His remark was prompted by a question whether in case neutral ships carried goods to or from Germany or of German ownership and these goods were selzed

LONDON, March 4.-It would appear that other neutrals are lies, which looks to the virtual previously permitted. blockading of Germany.

Meanwhile British newspapers are expressing some uneasiness ment seems to have made upon serve for contingencies.

The newspaper adds that the munici-American public opinion.

Critic of Asquith's Policy.

naval matters, in an address before the prisals against Germany outlined by Premier Asquith in his speech in the house of commons. Mr. Bowles said: enemy ownership, origin and destina tion which are brought into port? They are not to be confiscated; this is expressly declared. Are they to be pur-chased by the captors, according to the doctrine of preemption with 10 per cent compensation for delay?"

and her allies would prevent comwhich is about to be granted me from the four years of sentence as presiding officer of the Senate. It will lighten my vacation, cheer my heart and draw my mind oftimes to the pleasant associations which I have enjoyed with the senators.

"I know that I have made mistakes, ergors sometimes of the head, but that I fide I can look you in the face and any to you find the president of the square in which the same is located.

The law provides:

"That no minor under the age of eighteen years shall be allowed to enter the other of the scantors. The resolations was offered by Senator of the regulation of the board on this subject was suggested that If German goods continued to be brought in it



THE PARTING GIFT.

DAILY RATION OF BREAD LESS THAN HALF A POUND

BERLIN, March 4, via London.-The North German Gazette announces that the daily bread ration throughout the course of action imposed by empire has been fixed at 200 grammes bread or flour, per capita, from March 15, instead of 225 grammes, the amount

The returns on stocks of grain and flour taken February 1, which now have been received, show that there is enough of these supplies to continue the earlier ration until the next harbecause of the unfavorable im- vest, but it was thought best, accordpression the premier's announce- ing to the newspaper, to hold a re-

palities will be allowed a certain amount of elasticity in their distributions. They may cut the ration for children, in order to allot larger por-tions to the classes of the population where the consumption is normally

Out Today!

The Evening Star

War Pictorial

The alternately tinted green and

brown rotogravure reproductions

of the latest news pictures from the forefront of the great war,

which have attracted wide atten-

tion for their artistic as well as

historic value, include this week:

CELEBRATING THE VICTORY

German soldiers are seen cele-

brating a success won against the

allies. Flasks are opened with songs and hearty cheers, a toast

is drunk to the health of the em-

peror and the destruction of his

CAUGHT IN A SPIDER TRAP:

German soldiers killed in barbed

wire entanglements which sur-

NEUTRALITY ON THE BAT-

TLEFIELD: Russian Red Cross

workers assisting Germans in

wounded he receives the same treatment as do the nationals of

RUSSIAN BATTERY IN ACTION:

Here is shown the enginery of war

intrenched in the snow-covered

fields of Boukovina, Poland, where

Gen. von Hindenburg is reported

successes against the Grand Duke

WHERE THERE IS NO "LAW'S

DELAY": French carabineers es-

corting a German suspect to head-

quarters somewhere in the Aisne district. Trials are short and justice is swift. If convicted there is but one penalty-death.

A feature of this week's pictorial magazine is a series of vivid views of the warships of the

United States in action. These include a double-page remarkable snapshot of a broadside of 12-inch guns fired from the U.S.S. guns fired from the U.S. S. Michigan. The photographer who

took the picture was almost hurled out of the maintop by the

concussion of the guns. The shut-

ter of the camera was released

AND MANY OTHERS.

On All Newsstands

Price, 10 Cents Don't Miss It!

by the explosion.

When a man is once

round the Russian trenches.

the Red Cross surgeons.

to have achieved such

ther devastation of that country are wanted," said Sir Edward Grey, the foreign secretary, in the house of commons today. The foreign secretary's statement was made in response to an inquiry from Frederick W. Jowett whether the government was "willing to invite suggestions from neutrals with a view to avoiding the further devastation of Belgium by the great powers which are contending for its mastery."

UNLESS NEUTRALS AID ALLIES,

EFFORTS TO SUCCOR BELGIUM

ARE UNWELCOME TO ENGLAND

LONDON, March 4, 3:05 p.m.—"Unless neutral nations

are prepared to assist in throwing the Germans out of Belgium

no suggestions from them in the matter of preventing the fur-

"The only solution of this question," Sir Edward continued, "is the evacuation of Belgian territory by German troops, the restoration of her independence and reparation for the wrong done her. Unless neutral powers are prepared to assist in securing that solution I don't see what could be gained by the course suggested."

SYLVESTER ASKS FOR RETIREMENT

Police Head's Action Follows Withdrawal of Miscon-

BROWNLOW TO URGE FAVORABLE ACTION

Commissioners Grant Monthly Pension of \$100.



MAJ. RICHARD SYLVESTER,

While the Commissioners have not acted on the request for retirement, Commissioner Browlow, who has supervision of the police department, stated this afternoon that he would recommend favorable action on the request. quest.

"In view of Maj. Sylvester's long and faithful service to the District, I shall recommend that he be retired on a pension of \$100 a month," said Commission Brownlow.

missioners until after the board had acted in the matter, but Commissioner Brownlow this afternoon confirmed the rumor that the police department head had decided to withdraw from active service on account of ill health.

It has been no secret in the District building that Maj. Sylvester has been ill for several months, and his friends have urged him to give up the arduous duties of directing the affairs of the police department.

Replies to Charges.

onduct were preferred against him by Representative Parks Maj. Sylvester nade a detailed reply to each of the accusations, numbering thirty-two in all. This reply is now in the possession of Commissioner Brownlow, who has given it careful study for several It had been the intention of Commis-

est pension that may legally be

Served in Department Since 1883.

1883, when he was appointed to the Maj. Richard Sylvester, superintendent of Washington's police department since July 16, 1898, today applied to the Commissioners to be placed on the retired list beginning April 1.

The action of the police department head followed the withdrawal this morning by Representative Parks of (Centinued on Second Page.) position of chief clerk by Gen. Wil-

RUSSIANS PREVENT PRZEMYSL'S RELIEF

Reported to Have Defeated Austrians Attempting to Reach Stronghold.

BIG BATTLE IS RAGING IN FRONT OF OSSOWETZ

Petrograd Reports Germans Making Strong Effort to Break Through at That Point.

LONDON, March 4, 12:28 p.m.-The nterest of British readers in the Russian campaign has again shifted to the extreme southern portion of the line of battle, where Petrograd reports that Gen. Brussiloff has won a noteworthy victory south of Baligrod, inflicting heavy losses on the Austrians, who were again pressing north to the relief of Przemysl.

At the same time an unofficial dispatch from Bucharest credits the Russian forces with the reoccupation o Stanislau, in Galicia, about sixty miles from Tarnopol.

Vienna reports the repulse of desperate Russian counter attacks in the Carpathians, with comparative inactivtirement from Przasnysz, north of Warsaw, which was made in good order in spite of haste that necessitated the abandonment of wounded.

Battle Violence Increases.

PETROGRAD, March 4, 11 a.m., via Prussian frontier by capturing the fortress of Ossowetz. This battle, the outcome of which is regarded as of high importance, is proceeding with charred remains of soldiers in the increased violence. The Germans on damaged forts, showing that the Turks this occasion have succeeded in bring- had burned their dead before evacuating up some of their heaviest and effective guns, including the great sixteen-inch field pieces.

The opinion of Russian military offi-cers is that the Germans having been expelled from Przasnysz, their only hope of successful execution of their nope of successful execution of their plans, which include securing the position of their left flank by breaking through the Russian line of fortresses, lles in taking Ossowetz. From the character of the fighting it is evident that the Germans have determined to exhaust every effort to win this point.

Advance on Northern Front. slight advance on the northern front, declare the inner works impregnable Kerjen lies on the left bank of the The Turks rely on mines, but mine Amoulest river, twenty miles northeast sweepers of the allies have been busy of Przasnysz. The capture of this within a mile and a half of the forts, town is of more than local importance, destroying a Turkish mine field desince it signifies failure of the German tected by a sharp-eyed aviator.

Although there is a close correlation between the German advance from Last Prussia and their operations in conjunction with the Austrians in the Stanislau-Beskid region of Galicia, at the other end of the front, Russian critics regard the activity of the Germans in the north as relatively of the less importance. It is regarded more as a diversion for the purpose of engaging the attention of the Russians while the Austro-German army is preparing for an important campaign in Galicia. In this region, it is said, the bulk of the Austro-German forces is concentrated.

centrated. Russian Success Minimized.

BERLIN, March 3. via Amsterdam to London, March 4 .- The following dispatch from the German chief head- but apparently without results. quarters was made public this evening: "After the marvelous capture of the strongly fortified town of Przasnysz (north Poland) by one of our corps, for one day by the advance of three Sunday.

ment to make a front against these superior forces.

"Parts of the corps were sharply pressed, and great numbers of wounded it, the neighborhood villages could not be removed in time; but the Russians were unable to disturb the orderly backward movement and lost touch with the German corps. This proves that they suffered during their attacks.

"Meanwhile German reinforcements came and the situation was restored.

"It was quite an insignificant Russian success, and cannot be compared with the previous German storming of Przasnysz, in which we took 10,000 prisoners and a great quantity of war booty."

NEW CITY FLAG ADOPTED. Banner Is Chosen by New York Art

Commission. NEW YORK, March 4 .- A new city flag has been chosen by the municipal art commission, which is the same, except It had been the intention of Commissioner Brownlow to formulate a report on the charges for presentation to the Commissioners. The District heads would then have decided whether the facts alleged were sufficient to justify their ordering that Maj. Sylvester be brought before the trial board.

Commissioner Brownlow this aftermon said that he would not present

U. S. Candy Exports Fall Off.

the general policy of retrenchment has struck a hard blow at the women of Europe and the few men left behind last night issued the following report re Europe and the lew men left behind who indulged a sweet tooth. Candy garding the bombardment of the Turkish forts from the United States, for the tirst five months of the war, show a decrease in value of \$153,823, as compared with the same period of the year before. The value of the total candy exports for the calendar year was \$1,155,894.

ONLY TWO TURKISH FORTS NOW INTACT. REPORT TO LONDON

ONE CENT.

Bombardment of Inner Defenses of the Dardanelles Resumed This Morning.

NEVER CAN REACH GOAL. IS BOAST OF OTTOMANS

Declaring Fortifications Are Impregnable, Turks Belittle Efforts of Enemies.

REPORTS FIRE TO BE WASTED

Associated Press Correspondent, Who Witnessed Monday's Action, Discredits Claim of the Allies.

LONDON, March 4, 1:25 p.m. -The allied fleets this (Thursday) morning resumed their bontbardment of the inner forts of the ity along the remainder of the line. Dardanelles, according to a dis-Berlin admits officially the German re- patch received by Reuter's Telegram Company from its correspondent at Athens.

Ten Warships Participated. The text of the dispatch follows:

"The bombardment of the inner forts London.—The German forces in North- of the Dardanelles was resumed Thursern Poland are concentrating their ef- day morning. Ten big warships took forts in the endeavor to break through part in the operations. According to a the Russian fortified lines near the British officer, only two of the Turkish forts remain intact.

"Allied landing parties found the ing these positions."

Russian Ship Joins Fleet.

The battleships of the allies, which entente by the addition of the Russian cruiser Askold, undoubtedly have turned the straits of the Dardanelles into an inferno which, according to British and French claims, has spelled

destruction to the Turkish defenses. stantinople deride this activity as ineffective. The Turks, however, do ad-The Russian occupation of Kerjen, mit the destruction of the outer forts, unced officially here, shows a which they say they expected, but they

since it signifies failure of the German attempt to cut off the communications of the Russian forces operating in the Przasnysz district from those proceeding from Myszyniec toward kolno, along a line parallel with the Prussian border. This the Germans strove to accomplish by occupying positions along the Amouleff.

Although there is a close correlation between the German advance from _ast German squadron under the command

of Admiral von Spee. Says Fire Is Ineffective.

THE DARDANELLES, March 1. via Berlin and The Hague to London, March 4.—The allied fleet of nine battleships and two cruisers, the majority of them British, today again bombarded the forts on the Asiatic side of the Dardanelles, but without success. It seemed to the Ascociated Press correspondent, who was watching the bombardment closely, that the fleet was unable to locate the Turkish positions The operations during the course of the afternoon became more spirited,

British Ship Out of Action.

One British vessel was hit squarely and was obliged to steam out of the which had advanced from an eastern action Saturday. Owing to the heavy direction, the situation became critical weather there was no bombardment

> The British and French fire today was bad, the shells striking anywhere but the Turkish positions. The bombardment was very heavy, causing clouds of yellow vapor with crashing detonations. The fire of the vessels was met by a strong cross-fire from the forts, which rendered the taking of the positions impossible. The firing ceased

A British hydroaeroplane made a shore reconnoitering flight, which was the only other feature of the operations

BERLIN, via London, March 4 .- Attaches of the Turkish embassy here profess to be unconcerned regarding the bombardment of the Dardanelles orts by the great allied fleet.

They declare the fortifications are impregnable, that the landing of troops at the entrance to the straits is impossible, and any attempt to land a possible, and any attempt to land a force at some point along the shore of the Gulf of Saros would require more than the allies can concentrate, leaving out of consideration the strong Turkish forces stationed at all threat

city has a white flag bearing the city seal in dark blue. It never was officially adopted and has been objected to as lacking distinction and historical association.

The new flag is orange, white and blue, arranged in perpendicular bars of equal dimension bearing the seal of the city in blue upon the middle or white bar.

British Admiralty Describes Attack on the Dardanelles

LONDON, March 4.—The admiralty late

COMES TO CLOSE Senate Investigating Commit-

DECLARES ACTS, HOWEVER.

ENDANGER COMMUNITY

ming up, the report says:

It is the judgment of the committee

The remainder of the report of th

Board Changes Law. "2. We find that the excise board in

The administration ship bill, the Philippine bill, the conservation bills, the rural credits provision of the agricultural bill and ratification of the treaties with Colombia and Nicaragua —ail hard pressed administration measures—fell by the wayside.

Change the substance and letter of the law.

"a. The law as to hotels is as follows:

"Hereafter no license shall be issued to a hotel having less than fifty bedrooms for guests, nor to any hotel the character of which, or the character of which is character of which, or the character of the proprietor or manager of which, is chown to be objectionable to said board.' ability to understand the policy of re-

is as follows: "'Section 2. No license shall be issued With Dramatic Speech to a hotel, as such, having less than firty bedrooms for guests.

"As the result of this unauthorized

Illegal Hotel-Club Licenses. "H is elear that the above proviso modifies of any kind from reaching or is an addition to the law which is leaving Germany. This point was made wholly unauthorized. Under this pro- clear in a statement respecting the

sold, other than a hotel, restaurant or commerce, the republican leader. A similar resolution, ofered by Senator tor Lodge of Massachusetts, thanking the president pro tem of the Senate, Senator Charks of Arkansas, also was adopted.

A short time before final adjournment was taken the Senate formally adjourned for five minutes in order to bring the Senate to the legislative day of March 3, it having been proceeding in the legislative day of February 19.

Thernton Writes Farewell.

Letter from Senator Thornton, the refigure greater from tomissing, who has been to be if for several days to be

Evades American Issue.

It was suggested that if German goods continued to be brought in it would be impossible for Great Britain to prevent Germany from exporting goods to America.

Mr. Runciman declined to discuss this point. He added:

"If it is necessary that we should get, and if we can get, some goods from any in any way disposed of to a minor."

Letter from Senator Thornton, the refigure greater from tomissian, who has been too be in for several days to be

Contrary to Law

the ships would be released.

awaiting the lead of the United States before embarking on any Premier Asquith's announcement (a little less than half a pound) of of the retaliatory policy of the al-

Thomas Gibson Bowles, former memper of parliament and a writer on "What is to happen to cargoes of

duct Charges.

Also Will Request That Board of



Georgia of charges of official miscor duct which were filed against Maj. Sylvester by Mr. Parks several weeks ago.

Will Recommend Action.

There is little doubt that Commissioner Brownlow's recommendation will be adopted, and that Maj. Sylvester will go on the retired list at a pension of \$\frac{1}{2}\$100 per month dating from April 1.

Announcement of the withdrawal of the charges against Maj. Sylvester and of the latter's request for retirement was not to have been made by the Commissioners until after the beard had

At the time that charges of official

cially adopted and has been objected to as lacking distinction and historical association.

The pointed out that the maximum pension which can be paid Maj. Sylvester the highers should give Maj. Sylvester the highest pension that may legally be paid.

Richard Sylvester has been connected with the police department since April,

NEW YORK, March 4.-Export fig. ires made public today indicate that

by Anglo-French Warships

about 4:30 p.m.

Declare Forts Impregnable.